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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- o Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$719.
 - \$639 for 71 total claims over 20.
 - \$80 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
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A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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- o **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1139.**

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